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| 21. | सोनभद्र | 29,490 |
| 22. | इलाहाबाद, यू०ई०बी० | 1,455 |
| | इलाहाबाद | 1,45,116 |
| | काशीविद्यापीठ | 580 |
| | योग: | 8,04,904 |

**बुन्देलखण्ड क्षेत्र**

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| 1. | झांसी | 44,767 |
| 2. | जालोन | 31,169 |
| 3. | हमीरपुर | 19,892 |
| 4. | माहोबा | 7,337 |
| 5. | बान्दा | 26,748 |
| 6. | ललितपुर | 10,238 |
| | योग: | 1,40,151 |

**Production of Radiation Shielding Window Glass by BOGL**

2156. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Ophthalmic Glass Ltd. (BOGL) had developed and installed the facilities for production of Radiation Shielding Window (RSW) Glass for Bhaba Atomic Research Centre (BARC);

(b) whether it is a fact that BOGL is now not getting adequate order from BARC for supplying Radiation Shielding Window (RSW) Glass;

(c) whether in the absence of sufficient order of RSW Glass from BARC, these facilities are being under utilised; and

(d) if so, action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Alongwith its main product Flint Buttons, BOGL produces Optical Glass items which include certain types of glass used in Radiation Shielding Windows (RSW) for the BARC.

(b) to (d) During the last 3 financial years, the company received on an average orders for 4 MT per annum. BARC has projected their requirements at 115 MT over next 4-5 years. BOGL is pursuing the matter with BARC for more orders.

**Sale of Pusa-44 Rice**

2157. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Food Corporation of India came to know in the year 1990-91 regarding sale of Pusa-44 a variety of rice by mixing the same with the other varieties of rice;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Pusa-44 is considered to be a fine category of rice whereas it was purchased by the officers of the Food Corporation of India at some places in Punjab considering it as super fine rice;

(c) whether the whole matter was entrusted to the Central Bureau of Investigation for inquiry; and

(d) if so, the findings of the inquiry and action taken so far by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV): (a) No, Sir. It was only during 1991-92 (i.e. in the month of November, 1991) that FCI came to know for the first time about the marketing of Pusa-44 variety of rice by mixing it with superfine rice in Jallandhar District of Punjab.

(b) Yes, Sir. On the basis of the classification norms prescribed by the Govt. of India on the recommendations of Balasubramanian Committee, the Pusa-44 variety of paddy/rice grown in Punjab stands classified as 'Fine'.

During 1991-92 and 1992-93, Pusa-44 was procured as superfine by FCI because this variety was reportedly offered mixed with other genuine superfine varieties. However, during 1993-94, FCI started procuring Pusa-44 variety as 'Fine'

after Vigilance Division of FCI Headquarters detected some cases.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The Govt. forwarded the case to CBI for investigations which is still pending. However, the then Manager (Quality Control), FCI Headquarters was shifted from the post of Manager (Quality Control).

**उचित दर की दुकानों द्वारा बेची जाने वाली वस्तुएं**

2158. **श्री जगन्नाथ सिंह:** क्या नागरिक आपूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) सरकारी उचित दर की दुकानों के माध्यम से उपभोक्ताओं को कौन-कौन सी वस्तुएं बेची जाती हैं; और

(ख) इस प्रकार बेची जाने वाली विभिन्न वस्तुओं की प्रति-इकाई मात्रा कितनी-कितनी होती है?

**खाद्य मंत्री और नागरिक पूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री (श्री देवेन्द्र प्रसाद यादव):** (क) और (ख) सरकार, राज्यों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों को सार्वजनिक वितरण प्रणाली के तहत छः प्रमुख आवश्यक वस्तुएं यथा गेहूं, चावल, चीनी, मिट्टी का तेल, खाद्य तेल तथा साफ्ट कोक, आवंटित करती है। राज्य सरकारें अपनी आवश्यकताओं के अनुसार उचित दर दुकानों के जरिए वितरण के लिए प्रणाली में अन्य वस्तुएं शामिल करने के लिए स्वतंत्र हैं। वर्ष 1995-96 के दौरान इन वस्तुओं का आवंटन तथा उठान अनुपत्र में दिया गया है। **(देखिए परिशिष्ट 178, अनुपत्र सं० 46)**

**Issue of SC/ST/OBC Certificates**

2159. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some formalities have been prescribed for persons desiring to get SC/ST/OBC Certificates issued by competent authorities;

(b) whether some castes under each category have been notified;

(c) if so, details thereof, State & Union Territory-wise as on the 30th June, 1996;

(d) whether some benefits are provided to children belonging to SC/ST/OBC categories during School and other higher studies;

(e) whether such children are also given benefits at the time of their employment and afterward promotion;

(f) whether some financial limit has also been prescribed to avail of benefits as in (d) and (e); and

(g) if so, details thereof State and Union Territory-wise?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir.

(c) The communities specified as Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in relation to different States/UTs are listed in the latest edition of the Manual of Election Law brought out by the Ministry of Law, Justice and Company Affairs. There is one addition as on 30th June, 1996, namely that of Koch-Rajbongshi as a Scheduled Tribe in relation to the State of Assam (excluding autonomous districts).

The Central Government has notified, a common list of OBCs in respect of 21 States and 4 UTs vide Gazette Notification No. 186 dated 30.09.1993 and No. 163 dated 20.10.1994 and No. 88 dated 25.05.1995 and No. 60 dated 11.03.1996.

(d) Yes Sir, at present no benefits are provided to OBCs in Educational Institutions. The SC/ST children are provided benefits through Central/Centrally Sponsored Schemes as per Statement-I. (*See* below)

(e) Yes, Sir. Children of SCs and STs are provided reservation in services at the time of their employment and afterwards in promotion. Children of OBCs are provided reservation at the time of their employment only.

(f) Yes Sir.

(g) A statement is enclosed as Statement-II.